

# DAILY PLANET

ALL THE NEWS THAT FITS

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## **April 3 Set as Launch Date for Marshall-Managed STS-83 Mission**

Following a flight readiness review Thursday at KSC, NASA managers set April 3 as the launch date for the Marshall-managed Microgravity Science Laboratory mission. STS-83 will conduct research in biotechnology, materials science, fluid physics and combustion science. The scheduled 16-day mission will also set the stage for the International Space Station, testing hardware and procedures planned for the Station.

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**Red Cross  
Blood Drive,  
8 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  
Fri. in Bldg. 4752**

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## **Earth Day T-Shirts on Sale at Exchange Office, Bldg. 4752**

Earth Day T-shirts are on sale at the NASA Exchange Office in Bldg. 4752. T-shirts are \$6 for S, M, L and XL sizes; \$7 for XXL; and \$8 for XXXL. Earth Day is April 22. Marshall's theme is "Recycling -- Picking Up the Pace." The day is set aside to promote awareness of the Earth and the fight against pollution. **Contact:** Reggie Alexander by e-mail or at 4-9289.